

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY MEXICO  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC NIACT IMMEDIATE 9358  
INFO AMCONSUL MAZATLAN BY POUCH

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: CASC  
SUBJ: TRAVEL ADVISORY STATE OF SINALOA, MEXICO

REF: (A) AMBASSADOR - DREYFUSSAND GISA - MCANINCH TELCONS  
DEC 23; (B) STATE 310285

1. AS REPORTED IN REFERENCED TELCONS, FOREIGN SECRETARY SANTIAGO ROEL BROUGHT UP SUBJECT OF LAWLESSNESS IN SINALOA BEFORE AMBASSADOR HAD CHANCE TO DO SO. THE FOREIGN SECRETARY EXPRESSED OPINION THAT ADDITIONAL ADVERSE PUBLICITY ON THIS SUBJECT WOULD NOT BE WELCOMED BY GOM. HE POINTED OUT THAT GOM DOES NOT ISSUE RELEASE CONCERNING ALLEGED OR ACTUAL MISTREATMENT OF MEXICAN CITIZENS IN U.S. AMBASSADOR STATED FOREIGN SECRETARY VIEWS WOULD BE MADE KNOWN AND THAT EMBASSY WOULD RECOMMEND THAT DEPARTMENT NOT RELEASE TRAVEL ADVISORY OVER THIS CHRISTMAS WEEKEND.

2. EMBASSY IS OF OPINION THAT RELEASE OF TRAVEL ADVISORY SHOULD BE DELAYED UNTIL AFTER JAN 1. AMBASSADOR GAVE FOREIGN SECRETARY STATISTICS ON NUMBER OF INCIDENTS IN SINALOA. HE STATED THAT HE WOULD IMMEDIATELY SPEAK TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO DETERMINE WHAT ADDITIONAL SECURITY MEASURES  
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SURES COULD BE TAKEN IN THE STATE.

3. IF ADVISORY IS RELEASED ON MONDAY OR ON SOME DATE AFTER JANUARY 1, THE EMBASSY REQUESTS THAT FOLLOWING CHANGES BE MADE:

A. DELETE THE WORDS "DO SO" IN THE FIRST PHRASE,  
FIRST SENTENCE OF THE FIRST PARAGRAPH AND SUBSTITUTE  
THE PHRASE "ENJOY THE TRADITIONAL MEXICAN HOSPITALITY."

B. THE PHRASE "THE AMERICAN CONSULATE IN MAZATLAN  
HAS REPORTED THAT" AT THE BEGINNING OF THE SECOND SENTENCE  
OF THE FIRST PARAGRAPH SHOULD BE DELETED.

C. THE PENULTIMATE SENTENCE OF THE FIRST  
PARAGRAPH SHOULD BE DELETED IN ITS ENTIRETY SINCE NO  
FIRM EVIDENCE HAS BEEN PRESENTED THE AMERICANS HAS BEEN KILLED.

D. DELETE THE WORD "QUITE" FROM THE FIRST SENTENCE  
OF THE SECOND PARAGRAPH.

E. THE SECOND SENTENCE OF THE SECOND PARAGRAPH SHOULD  
BE DELETED SINCE OUR CONSUL, MAZATLAN, WAS GIVEN THIS  
INFORMATION IN CONFIDENCE.

4. CONSUL RUTH MATTHEWS, MAZATLAN, HAS CONCURRED IN THE  
FOREGOING CHANGES.

5. IN VIEW OF QUITE OBVIOUS INTENTION OF GOM TO TAKE  
THE NECESSARY MEASURES TO IMPROVE THE SECURITY ON  
HIGHWAY 15 IN SINOLOA AND IN VIEW OF PRISONER PAROLE  
CONSIDERATION (WHICH IS BEING REPORTED SEPTTEL), EMBASSY  
STRONGLY RECOMMENDS THAT ISSUANCE OF TRAVEL ADVISORY  
BE DELAYED UNTIL AFTER JANUARY 1. A FURTHER REPORT  
WILL BE GIVEN DEPARTMENT WHEN GISE TELEPHONES MCANINCH  
ON MONDAY DEC 27. EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS RELEASE WILL  
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